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OF CARDIOVASCULAR

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PETITION TO EXTEND TIME UNDER 37 CFR § 1.136(a)

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the time for response to the final Office Action, dated June 24, 1999 (Paper No. 10) be extended for a period of three (3) months from September 24, 1999 to and including December 24, 1999.

The fee for this extension is estimated to be \$950.00. Please charge the required fee to Pennie & Edmonds LLP Deposit Account No. 16-1150. A copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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